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CONCORDIA UNIVERSITY STUDENTS ASSOCIATION

EIGHTIETH MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
HELD ON TUESDAY 8 MARCH 1988, AT 6:00 P.M.
IN ROOM H-333-6, HALL BUILDING, SIR GEORGE WILLIAMS CAMPUS

DOCUMENTS CONSIDERED:

BD-80-D1	Cusa constitution, Article 8.2
BD-80-D2	Cusacorp - Revenue lost from bank machine
BD-80-D3	Motion 335
BD-80-D4	Ishmaili Students Association - Part A
BD-80-D5	Letter from Roger Coté, October 8, 1987
BD-80-D6	Letter from Roger Coté, November 10, 1987
BD-80-D7	Letter from Roger Coté, February 19, 1988
BD-80-D8	Teacher Evaluations

1.1 CALL TO ORDER

Chairperson, Diane Dyson called this meeting to order at 6:26 P.M.

1.2 ROLL CALL

PRESENT

CO-PRESIDENTS

Maxine Clarke
Robert Douglas

COMMERCE

Cherine Hamam

ENGINEERING

Martin Corej
Joe Serruya

ARTS AND SCIENCE

Marijan Benc (8:00)
Jeff Gordon
Andrew Jolicoeur (7:00)
Alex MacPherson
Andrew Madsen
Shawn O'Hara
Morty Shapiro
Nick Woollard

FINE ARTS

Jaime Yip

ABSENT:

Arts and Science: N. Rossman
Commerce: L. Bastien, A. Boosamra
Engineering: L. Hotte, S. Potocki (W/R)

ADVISORS TO THE BOARD:

Randy Orr, Vice-President of Education; Guy Beliveau, Vice-President of External Affairs.

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

It was requested that an item concerning emergency loans be added to the Agenda at 7.1.

There were no objections to this and the Agenda was approved as Amended.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

3.1 Minutes of the 73rd meeting of the Board of Directors

Motion

Move to adopt the Minutes from the 73rd meeting of the Board of Directors.

Moved By: J. Gordon
Seconded By: A. Madsen

Vote on Motion Unanimous

4. CHAIRPERSON'S REMARKS

Chairperson, Diane Dyson wished the Board Happy International Women's Day. Diane also welcomed Hilary Scuffell, the new Administrative Department Head and Secretary to the Board of Directors for Cusa.

5. REPORTS

5.1 Co-Presidents

R. Douglas reported that the Hiring and Appointments Committee interviewed 13 out of 20 candidates for the Administrative Department Head position.

Robert informed the Board that cusa will be settling out of court concerning the Jean Robertson case for a total of $5000.00.

Robert stated that he had received information from Citadel concerning the Student Health Plan but that this was a accident insurance plan and not a comprehensive health plan.

Robert further stated that the Cusa lawyer had been consulted in regard to the professor evaluation forms and that there are no problems. Robert stated that the Lawyer suggested that a question concerning sexism should not be included in the evaluation.

M. Clarke requested that an item concerning the Teacher Evaluations be added to the Agenda.

Moved By: M. Clarke
Seconded By: A. Madsen

Vote 7/3/1 Carried

M. Clarke stated that Cusa is still negotiating with Casa but that nothing concrete will be available until next year.

Maxine stated that, concerning the Print Shop, stage II is being completed, that is, the fan belt has been issued and the shop is in the process of being renovated so that the fumes will not penetrate the women's centre.

Maxine informed the Board that the Print shop will be closed on March 9th so that access to the Women's Centre will be available because of International Women's Week

Maxine stated that the Annual General Statement will be available at the next Board meeting. Maxine added that Brent Jones, Comptroller for Cusa has stated that Cusa will end the year with a zero balance.

Maxine thanked the Board for the interesting year that had passed.

5.2 Executive

G. Beliveau, V.P. External, stated that the ANEEQ congress will be held on April 8, 9 and 10 in Quebec City. Guy further stated that Cusa needs 5 to 6 delegates.

Guy reported to the Board that at the last external committee meeting the topic to be discussed will be the issue of withdrawl of the university caucus from ANEEQ. Guy added that he felt that the caucus doesn't do anything for Cusa.

5.3 Cusacorp

Representatives were not available for this meeting.

6. OLD BUSINESS

6.1 Recognition of Ishmaili Club

MOTION 474

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Ismaili Club be recognized as a Cusa group with all inherent rights and responsibilities incumbent on that position.

Moved By: A. MacPherson
Seconded By: A. Madsen

Discussion:

A liaison representative stated that the Ishmaili Club had forwarded their constitution and was then forwarded to the Judicial Board and was approved.

Yazmin p. Lalji, Ismaili representative, stated to the Board that this group is different from the Muslim. Yazmin further stated that the Ismaili students are recognized at the University of Montreal and at McGill University. Yazmin continued to outline the beliefs of the Ismaili's and explained the dissimilarities from the Muslim beliefs.

7:00 P.M.

R. Orr stated that religious clubs are often offshoots from others. R. Douglas agreed with Randy and further added that the Liaison committee is not to duplicate groups.

A. Macpherson stated that this constitution did go through the Liaison committee and considers this a special interest group.

C. Hamam stated that she felt Cusa was spreading itself too thin and that Cusa should recognize but not fund in the same respect as the political groups.

J. Serruya stated that he felt that there should be a unity between groups.

M. Clarke stated that this group has already gone through the Liaison committee and approved and what the Board must do now is to recognize this decision. Maxine added that not to fund this group would be to discriminate. Maxine added further that McGill has seen the difference and that just because both the Muslim and the Ismaili are both under the Islam doesn't mean they both have the same beliefs.

7:15 P.M.

Move to end debate 9/2/0 Carried

VOTE ON MOTION 474 6/4/4 Carried

6.2 Judicial Board appointment

This item was deleted from the Agenda

6.3 CusaPrint Renovationss Report

M. Clarke stated that stage II will be completed on March 14th, 1988. Maxine stated that the next stage will involve the bathroom renovations. Maxine added that the university will pay half of the renovations and that Cusa will be paying for the other half. Maxine added further that if Cusa does not decide to pay for half then Cusa should consider closing the AR annex.

7. NEW BUSINESS

7.1 Emergency Loans

MOTION 475

WHEREAS Cusa recognizes that there is a crucial need among students to secure short term financial funds to cover food and shelter, and

WHEREAS the current secured emergency loan system does not satisfy the large amount of students who are not receiving government aid

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Cusa help establish a non-governmental aid recipient emergency loan fund in the amount of $10,000.00 which will be taken from the 1988-89 budget.

Moved By: R. Douglas
Seconded By: S. O'Hara

Discussion:

R. Douglas stated that Cusa will ask CCSL for $27,000.00 to be added to the emergency fund.

Robert stated further that there would be no interest on these loans, part-time students would be eligible and that the ECA as well as the GSA are interested. Robert added that this would be for 1988-89 to start with.

A. MacPherson expressed his concern of delegating funds with 22 days left in the Boards mandate.

R. Orr stated that Cusa could get more money from other sectors. Randy further added that restricting it to non-governmental aid is questionable.

R. Douglas stated that the criteria was kept vague because it will make it possible for anyone to apply for the loan.

7:30 P.M.

M. Clarke stated that the determining factor will be the fee increase. M. Clarke added further that since Cusa will be putting in money Cusa should develope guidelines as to the allocation of the money.

Motion

Move to end debate.

Moved By: J. Yip
Seconded By: S. O'Hara

Vote on Motion 10/2/0 Carried

VOTE ON MOTION Unanimous

7:41 P.M.

7.2 Cusa - Commerce - Fine Arts negotiations

M. Clarke stated that Cusa isn't at at stage to discuss this topic yet. M. Clarke added that Commerce feels that boycotts should be decided by each group.

7.3 Constitutional Amendment

MOTION

WHEREAS the privledges of membership in the association have been extended to non-fee-paying Concordia students, including the right to vote, and

WHEREAS these same students have no immediate interest in the setting to the association's fee,

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board of Directors amend article 8.2 of the constitution to read as follows:

The Association fee shall be set by a referendum of all fee-paying members of the Association.

Moved By: N. Woollard
Seconded By: S. O'Hara

Discussion:

J. Yip inquired as to whether only fee paying members get to vote on the referendum. R. Douglas replied yes.

MOTION

Move to Table the Motion

Moved By: J. Gordon
Seconded By: M. Shapiro

Vote on Motion 7/1/2 Carried

There was no further discussion on this motion.

7.4 Banque Nationale Bank Machine Rental Payments

MOTION 476

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the entire sum of money the Banque Nationale pays Cusa be given directly to Cusacorp.

Moved By: S. O'Hara
Seconded By: J. Serruya

Discussion:

S. O'Hara stated that he is proposing this motion that all payments go to Cusacorp because the machine takes the space of the coat check.

A lengthy discussion regarding the coat check at the campus centre ensued.

M. Clarke stated that it doesn't matter who gets the money but that Cusa initiated the procedures and that Cusa continues to handle the work for the project. Maxine added that should the fee increase go through she would be willing to let Cusacorp have the money even though Cusacorp still does do the coat check.

S. O'Hara stated that this issues is of importance to Cusacorp and its balance next year.

VOTE ON MOTION 476 8/1/3 Carried

8:00 P.M.

7.5 Members for Personnel, Convocation and Cusa Reform committees

M. Clarke stated that volunteers are need before the end of term for the Personnel Committee. Maxine added that Cusa has applied

for the Challenge '88 grants from the Government.

Maxine stated that people are also needed to sit on the Cusa Reform Committee.

7.6 Motion to rescind policy on campus radio airplay by Cusacorp

MOTION

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board of directors rescind its policy as set out in Motion 335 at the 53rd meeting of the Board of Directors,

Moved By: M. Shapiro
Seconded By: J. Gordon

Discussion:

S. O'Hara stated that Cusacorp did a survey and the results indicated that no one wanted to listen to CRSG in Reggies. Shawn added further that the wires for CIRL had never been connected.

A. MacPherson stated that he felt Cusa should have its Radio Stations play in the Campus Centre.

S. O'Hara stated that business has improved since the cancellation of CRSG playing.

J. Serruya stated that a petition had been sent around and that this cancellation is what the students want.

8:15 P.M.

Motion
Move to end debate

Moved By: S. O'Hara
Seconded By: J. Gordon

Vote on Motion 8/1/1 Carried

VOTE ON MOTION 5/3/2 Defeated

Chairperson, Diane Dyson, stated that in order to recind a motion at two thirds majority is needed.

7.7 Advertising for Vice-Presidential Position

MOTION 477

WHEREAS last year's interviews for VP positions were held late, and

WHEREAS the new Board should have completed applications for the hiring committee to examine to ease the transition, and

WHEREAS possible candidates should be allowed the maximum amount of time to consider running for a position.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Cusa advertises VP positions for 1988-89 immediately, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the deadline period for these positions be open-ended.

Moved By: J. Yip
Seconded By: S. O'Hara

Discussion:

J. Serruya stated that the advertising is to be for all applicants to be reviewed by the new Board of Directors.

M. Clarke stated that she felt it was up to the new Board as to what positions they want filled.

VOTE ON MOTION 477 Unanimous

7.8 Annual General Meeting

MOTION

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Cusa Board of Directors hold the Annual General Meeting on March 23, 1988 in room H-333-6, Hall Building, Sir George Williams Campus, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT at the Annual General Meeting refreshments will be served.

Moved By: M. Clarke
Seconded By: N. Woollard

Discussion:

A. Madsen stated that he felt that the Loyola Campus Centre might be a better location as the annual general meeting requires 30 witnesses.

VOTE ON MOTION 8/0/2 Carried

8:30 P.M.

8. QUESTION PERIOD / ANNOUNCEMENTS

M. Clarke stated that Challenge '88 grants have been applied for for the following positions: Archives, Resource Centre, Housing, Job Bank. Maxine added that last year Cusa received 2 positions for the Job Bank, one for Archives, and two for the Women's Centre. Maxine added further that information regarding acceptance will no be available until the end of April.

S. O'Hara inquired about the logo contest and its validity in regard to the Board of Directors. Maxine replied that this contest was merely research and that any final decision will come before the Board.

J. Yip announced that Grad Ball tickets will be on sale next week and that the tickets will cost @ $35.00

8:45 P.M.

9. DATE, TIME AND PLACE OF NEXT BOARD MEETING

Chairperson, Diane Dyson, stated that the next meeting will be held on March 23, 1988 at 6:30 P.M.

10. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION

Move to Adjourn

Moved By: A. Madsen
Seconded By: J. Serruya

There were no objections to this motion and the meeting was adjourned at 9:02 P.M.

Diane Dyson, Chairperson

Hilary Scuffell, Recording Secretary